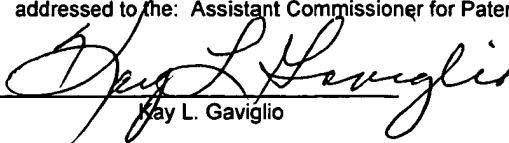


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**PATENT**  
**Docket No. GC372**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	)	
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Timothy Fowler et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1802
	)	
Serial No. 08/876,132	)	
	)	Examiner: Unassigned
Filed: June 23, 1997	)	
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For: Improved <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	)	
Fermentation Strains	)	

**PETITION TO WITHDRAW THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT PURSUANT**  
**TO M.P.E.P. SECTION 711.02 (a)**

Box DAC  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants believe that the above-identified application has been abandoned since December 6, 1997, due to non-response to a Notice to File Missing Parts mailed September 5, 1997. Applicants submit that the Notice to File Missing Parts was not mailed to their current mailing address and therefore, Applicants were unable to respond to the Notice. Accordingly, Applicants Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment.

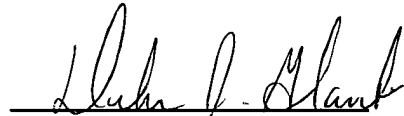
The above-identified patent application was filed on June 23, 1997. After a six month period, no other communication on the above-identified application was ever received by Applicants. On January 27, 1998, Applicants submitted a Request for Status of the Application to which a response was never received, see Attachment 1. On May 13, 1998, our Washington Associates, Landon & Stark, inspected the USPTO prosecution file and found the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed September 5, 1997 which had the former business address (180 Kimball Way, South San Francisco, CA

94080) for Applicants' employer, Genencor International, Inc., see the Notice to File Missing Parts, see Attachment 2. Applicants note that the misaddress of the Notice occurred even though Applicant's correct business address at 925 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, CA 94034, was apparent on the patent application transmittal letter, see Attachment 3. Applicants submit that because the Notice was misaddressed, they never received the Notice and could not have responded. Therefore, Applicants Petition for a withdrawal of the Notice of Abandonment of the above-identified patent application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fees necessitated by the filing of these documents, or to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048. This communication is submitted in triplicate for USPTO accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

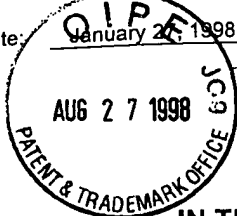
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Requesting Status of Application

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

On June 23, 1997, the above application was filed in the Patent and Trademark Office via United States Postal Service's Express Mail.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Express Mail Receipt No. EM096172282US dated June 23, 1997, and a copy of the transmittal letter that accompanied the application.

Please provide status of the application.

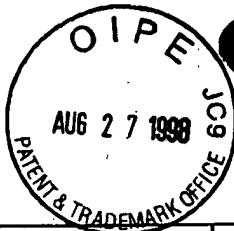
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### NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION Filing Date Granted

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. However, the items indicated below are missing. The required items and fees identified below must be timely submitted ALONG WITH THE PAYMENT OF A SURCHARGE for items 1 and 3-6 only of \$ 130.- for a ☒ large entity ☐ small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27. The surcharge is set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e). Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required above to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a ☒ large entity ☐ small entity (verified statement filed), is \$ 130.-.

☐ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

- ☐ missing.
- ☐ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a verified small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

☐ 2. Additional claim fees of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, including any multiple dependent claim fees, are required. Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

☐ 3. The oath or declaration:

- ☐ is missing.
- ☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.
- ☐ does not identify the application to which it applies.
- ☐ does not include the city and state or foreign country of applicant's residence.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

☒ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are:

- ☒ missing.
- ☐ by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43, or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 6. A \$ \_\_\_\_\_ processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).

☐ 7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.

☐ 8. The application does not comply with the Sequence Rules.  
See attached "Notice to Comply with Sequence Rules 37 CFR 1.821-1.825."

☐ 9. OTHER:

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